

FENCE PERMIT GUIDE



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The Department of Permits and
Inspections
Talbot County, Maryland

Zoning Certificate

- A zoning certificate is required prior to construction of a fence greater than 4 feet in height in Talbot County. A zoning certificate application may be obtained from the Talbot County Department of Permits and Inspections located at 215 Bay Street, Suite 3, Easton, Maryland. Office hours are between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday – Friday. A fee is required for the permit. Each applicant is required to fill out the highlighted portion of the permit application and sign and date the bottom.
- The permit application must be accompanied by two copies of a plot plan (a drawing of the property also referred to as a site plan). The plot plan shall be drawn to scale and show all property lines with dimensions, all existing structures and the proposed location of the fence. County zoning regulations restrict fence heights to 4 feet in the front yard and 6 feet in side or rear yards. The plot plan may be prepared by the applicant or

the applicant's surveyor provided the drawing is accurate, legible and to scale.

- After a stakeout inspection is completed by a building inspector and approved, the zoning certificate will be issued.
- An applicant is required to contact the Department of Permits and Inspections at 410-770-6840 for a final inspection upon completion of the fence construction.
- Construction must begin within nine months and be completed within eighteen months.

This permit guide may not address all situations but is intended to provide general information for the permitting process.